## BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN	) <b>CASE NO. PAC-E-21-18</b>
POWER'S APPLICATION TO INCREASE	)
THE BPA RATE CREDIT EFFECTIVE	) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER	)
30, 2023	) NOTICE OF
	) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
	)
	) <b>ORDER NO. 35163</b>

On August 30, 2021, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power ("Company") applied to the Commission requesting an order approving an increase for the Company's current Electric Service Schedule 34—Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act Residential and Farm Kilowatt-Hour Credit rate ("Schedule 34"). Under the Company's proposal, Schedule 34 customers would receive a Residential Exchange Program ("REP") credit of \$0.010133 per Kilowatt-Hour ("kWh"). The Company requests its Application be processed by Modified Procedure, and proposes an effective date of October 1, 2021.

The Commission now issues Notice of Modified Procedure and sets deadlines for interested persons to comment on the Application, and for the Company to reply.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Northwest Power Act of 1980 created the REP program administered by Bonneville Power Administration. The REP allows participating utilities, including the Company, to pass the benefits of the Federal Columbia River Power System to eligible residential, small farm, and irrigation customers through rate credits.

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company proposes to distribute \$10.3 million in REP payments annually to its Schedule 34 customers.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that according to the Company's rate design, using 1.1 Gigawatt-Hour as the historical usage level of Schedule 34 customers with the proposed

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The currently authorized Schedule 34 rate credit is \$0.008403 per kWh. This credit is authorized through September 30, 2021.

distribution of \$10.3 million, the REP rate credit would be \$0.010133 per kWh from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's web site at <a href="https://www.puc.idaho.gov">www.puc.idaho.gov</a>. Click on the "ELECTRIC" icon, select "Open Cases," and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq*.

## NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and that it will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the Application. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Persons shall have until September 21, 2021 to file written comments. Comments must be filed through the Commission's website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission's home page at <a href="https://www.puc.idaho.gov">www.puc.idaho.gov</a>. Click the "Case Comment Form" and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. To file by e-mail, the customer must e-mail the comments to the e-mail addresses listed below. In addition to submitting the comments to the Commission Secretary, the customer must also e-mail the Company at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and Company at these addresses:

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments by September 24, 2021.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

#### ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by September 21, 2021. The Company must file any reply comments by September 24, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties should continue to comply with Order No. 35058, issued June 3, 2021. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service

between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

DONE by order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this  $9^{th}$  day of September 2021.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jan Noriyuki
Commission Secretary